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	Examiner Anita M. King	Art Unit 3632	

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Period for Reply

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Status

- 1) ☒ Responsive to communication(s) filed on 11 February 2004.
- 2a) ☐ This action is FINAL. 2b) ☒ This action is non-final.
- 3) ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

Disposition of Claims

- 4) ☒ Claim(s) 22-53 is/are pending in the application.
 4a) Of the above claim(s) _____ is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 5) ☒ Claim(s) 22-44 and 50-53 is/are allowed.
- 6) ☒ Claim(s) 47 is/are rejected.
- 7) ☒ Claim(s) 45, 46, 48 and 49 is/are objected to.
- 8) ☐ Claim(s) _____ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

Application Papers

- 9) ☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 10) ☒ The drawing(s) filed on 11 February 2004 is/are: a) ☒ accepted or b) ☐ objected to by the Examiner.
 Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).
 Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
- 11) ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

- 12) ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
 a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some * c) ☐ None of:
1. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
 2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
 3. ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

* See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

Attachment(s)

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| 1) <input type="checkbox"/> Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)
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This is the fourth office action for application number 10/079,804, Arm Apparatus for Mounting Electronic Devices with Cable Management System, filed on February 20, 2002. This application is a divisional of application number 09/406,006, filed September 24, 1999.

Continued Examination Under 37 CFR 1.114

A request for continued examination under 37 CFR 1.114, including the fee set forth in 37 CFR 1.17(e), was filed in this application after final rejection. Since this application is eligible for continued examination under 37 CFR 1.114, and the fee set forth in 37 CFR 1.17(e) has been timely paid, the finality of the previous Office action has been withdrawn pursuant to 37 CFR 1.114. Applicant's submission filed on February 11, 2004 has been entered.

Drawings

The drawings were received on February 11, 2004. These drawings are approved.

Claim Objections

Claims 31 are objected to because of the following informalities: in claim 31, line 3, "said second end coupling" appears to be incorrect and should be --said first end coupling-- and bridging lines 3 and 4, "said first end coupling" should be --said second end coupling--, based on the claim terminology previously cited in claim 22, the second end coupling has been designated as element 142, see lines 10-11 and line 2 of claim 25; and the first end coupling has been designated as the means for attaching the device, i.e., element 144, see

lines 8-9 in claim 22 and line 3 of claim 25, also see claim 50, lines 18 and 19 and claim 51, lines 15 and 16 for the same informalities. Appropriate correction is required.

Claims 45, 46, 48, and 49 are objected to under 37 CFR 1.75(c), as being of improper dependent form for failing to further limit the subject matter of a previous claim. Applicant is required to cancel the claim(s), or amend the claim(s) to place the claim(s) in proper dependent form, or rewrite the claim(s) in independent form. The claims are redundant, the subject matter in claims 45 and 46 is now included in independent claim 22, from which the claims directly or indirectly depend from, see lines 6-7 and the subject matter of claims 48 and 49 is now included in independent claim 34, see lines 6-7.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 112

The following is a quotation of the second paragraph of 35 U.S.C. 112:

The specification shall conclude with one or more claims particularly pointing out and distinctly claiming the subject matter which the applicant regards as his invention.

Claim 47 rejected under 35 U.S.C. 112, second paragraph, as being indefinite for failing to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter which applicant regards as the invention.

Claim 47 recites the limitation "said second end coupling," bridging lines 2 and 3". There is insufficient antecedent basis for this limitation in the claim.

Allowable Subject Matter

Claims 22-44 and 50-53 are allowed.

Claim 47 would be allowable if rewritten to overcome the rejection(s) under 35 U.S.C. 112, second paragraph, set forth in this Office action and to include all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims.


The following is a statement of reasons for the indication of allowable subject matter: the primary reasons for the indication of allowable subject matter in the above-mentioned claims are the limitations of a forearm extension having a body and a coupling disposed at a first end of the body, means for attaching a device at a second end, and wherein the coupling has a wall comprising a slot, the interior of the body in communication with the slot by a passageway formed therewith, now included in independent claims 22, 34, 50-53, in combination with the other elements recited in the respective claims, which is not found in the prior art of record.

Conclusion

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Anita M. King whose telephone number is (703) 308-2162. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday-Friday.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Leslie A. Braun can be reached on (703) 308-2156. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 703-872-9306.

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